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SUBJECT: EEB review of the protocol for field monitoring studies of oxyfluorfen(Goal)
(Protocol received in EPA, 21 April 1981)

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Thru: Clayton Bushong , Chief, EEB

The Ecological Effects Branch has the following comments in regard to the 1981 field monitoring program for Goal in addition to those comments listed by the Environmental Fate Branch (Sami Malak's 11 May 1981 protocol review, attached):

1. The sites selected for runoff monitoring in soybeans should not be adjacent to endangered clam habitats but should be similar to sites so situated in regard to slope, soil type, rainfail, and other erosion-related factors.

Malacologists who might be willing to describe the erosion-related factors of fields adjacent to vulnerable endangered clams to kohm and Haas personnel include, but are not limited to:

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2. If possible, the C. E. Quinn farm, in Duplin Co., should be among the corn farms monitored for Goal.





- 3. Aquatic plant field bioassays are still required. Dr. Kerry K. Steward's 31 May 77 letter appears to indicate that waterlettuce or cabomba might be good species to be used in the bioassay.
- 4. The details contained in Appendix D of the March, 1981 Position Document are to be included in the rottering protects. Inclusion of these details

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